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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: CARACAS STADIUM

REF: (A) 77 CARACAS 3145, (B) 77 CARACAS 4282

1. PROJECT NAME: ESTADIO MONUMENTAL DE CARACAS.
2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION: THE 60,000 SEAT, OPEN-ROOFED SPORTS STADIUM
WILL BE CARACAS' PRINCIPAL BASEBALL/SOCCER STADIUM WITH PLAYING FIELDS

ADAPTABLE FOR TENNIS, BOXING, AND THEATRICAL PRODUCTIONS. THE MAIN
FLOOR OF THE STADIUM WILL ALSO SERVE AS CONVENTION AREA. THE STADIUM
WILL HAVE NATURAL GRASS (DUE TO SOCCER REGULATIONS) AND MOVABLE
STANDS.

THE FACILITY'S TOTAL AREA IS 30 HECTARES, INCLUDING A PARKING AREA
FOR 7,000 CARS. THE STADIUM WILL BE LOCATED AT PINTO SALINAS NEAR
THE MARIPEREZ CABLE CAR STATION, BETWEEN AVENIDA ANDRES BELLO AND
AVENIDA BOYACA 'COTA MIL).

3. EXECUTING AGENCY/PROJECT MANAGER:
DR. ROBERTO PADILLA FERNANDEZ
MINISTRO DE DESARROLLO URBANO
MINISTERIO DE DESARROLLO URBANO
EDIFICIO BANCO VENEZUELA, PISO 12
AVENIDA LECUNA, REDUCTO A MIRANDA
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CARACAS, VENEZUELA

THE TECHNICAL ADVISOR TO THE MINISTER FOR THIS PROJECT IS ING.
TONY MUJICA SEQUERA OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

4. STATUS OF PROJECT: ANTICIPATED BID DATES: SOIL AND GEOLOGICAL
STUDIES ARE IN PROGRESS. MANUEL FUENTES M. - ARQUITECTOS Y

ASOCIADOS, A LOCAL ARCHITECTUR FIRM ASSISTED BY CURTIS & DAVIS - ARCHITECTS & PLANNERS INCORPORATED, FROM NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, IS DOING THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN SEPTEMBER 1978. CALL FOR BIDS TO CONSTRUCT THE PROJECT ARE SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 1978, AND SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR IS TO BE MADE IN DECEMBER 1978-JANUARY 1979. ESTIMATED DATE FOR COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT IS MID-1982.

5. ESTIMATED PROJECT COST/FOREIGN CONTENT: THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT HAS PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED AN ESTIMATED COST OF 310 MILLION OF BOLIVARS (US\$72,093,000). THE HIGHLY SPECIALIZED TECHNOLOGY REQUIRED (PREFABRICATED ELEMENTS ARE TO BE USED), AND THE RELATIVELY SHORT TIME LEAD FOR CONSTRUCTION, INDICATE THAT HTIS PROJECT WILL REQUIRE AN EXPERIENCED INTERNATIONAL PRIME CONTRACTOR, WORKING CLOSELY WITH LOCAL CONSTRUCTION FIRMS (A).

6. COMPETITIVE FACTORS: SEVERAL OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT HAVE VISITED DIFFERENT STADIUMS IN THE USA, MEXICO, CANADA, FRANCE, AND GERMANY. APPARENTLY, A FRENCH FIRM INVOLVED IN THE PARIS AND MONTREAL STADIUM AND A GERMAN FIRM HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE PROJECT.

7. OTHER FACTORS:

(A) BEFORE ANY CONSTRUCTION WORK CAN BEGIN 973 FAMILIES PRESENTLY ON THE STADIUM SITE WILL HAVE TO VE RE-LOCATED.
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(B) THERE IS CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE TO HAVE THE STADIUM BUILT AND INAUGURATED BY THE MIDDLE OF 1982, BEFORE THE 1983 PANAMERICAN GAMES.

8. THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN STUDY IS BEING DONE BY:

MANUEL FUENTES M. - ARQUITECTOS ASOCIADOS
CENTRO COMERCIAL BELLO MONTE, P.H. 2
AVENIDA PRINCIPAL COLINAS DE BELLO MENTO
CARACAS 105, VENEZUELA
TELS: 76-06-80 - 76-04-97

FUENTES HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN RECEIVING PROPOSALS FROM:

(A) THOSE U.S. A&E FIRMS WHICH WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KANSAS CITY, ST. LOUIS, RIVER FRONT-CINCINNATI STADIUMS.

(B) U.S. FIRMS WITH EXPERIENCE IN:

1. RADIO-TV/SATELLITE BROADCASTING FACILITIES (LIVE
INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTS OF EVENTS ORIGINATING IN THE STADIUM

ARE CONTEMPLATED).

2. STADIUM LIGHTING, ELECTRONIC
SCOREBOARDS, ETC.

3. STADIUM SECURITY SYSTEMS.

9. ING. LUIS PEREZ OLIVARES, DIRECTOR EDIFICA (CARACAS A-078
(77). HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN FORMING A CONSORTIUM WITH
EXPERIENCED U.S. CONSTRUCTION FIRMS TO PARTICIPATE IN BUILDING.
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